

ANNUAL

Meeting Of The First Baptist Church Of The City

Held On Wednesday Afternoon And Evening

When Reports For The Past Year Were Given

Officers Elected For The Coming Year

And A Supper Served In The Church Parlors

The annual meeting of the First Baptist church of Mt. Vernon was held Wednesday afternoon and evening. The event was a great success in every respect, everyone present being deeply interested in the work which the church is doing and interested also in the social and business parts of the meeting. The attendance was fully as large as that of last year, during the entire proceedings.

At four o'clock in the afternoon, devotional exercises were held in the auditorium of the church led by the pastor, Rev. F. E. Brinnistool. At five o'clock, the social hour was begun and lasted until six o'clock. During this period, the members and friends of the church mingled freely and the height of good feeling and good will reigned supreme. At 6:15, all present adjourned to the church parlors where the tables had been set for the supper. This was one of the best parts of the entire meeting as every preparation had been made for the accommodation of all. Each table was prettily decorated with carnations, daffodils and ferns, the color scheme being yellow and green. A delicious two course supper was served by a number of the young lady members of the church and every one seated received the closest possible attention. Music was furnished during the social hour and during the supper by the Baptist Sunday school orchestra.

Vocal solos were also rendered by Mrs. J. H. Wootton and Mrs. B. M. Wade. At the close of this event, a number of interesting talks were given by various members of the church. Immediately following this came the business meeting. The following is a complete summary of the business session:

The past year is significant in many regards, and will stand out as the beginning of a new era in the work of the church. As in many other instances, the Laymen's Missionary Movement has contributed largely to the quickening of the membership to recognize in the church a force rather than a field. The going of six of the men of the church to the Dayton convention, will signify to this church something of what the Haystack prayer meeting meant to the world-field of the Lord.

The new conception of service has resulted in a clear vision of responsibility to the ends of earth; to an every member canvass for pushing the kingdom of God to every people; and to the unifying of all finances, current expense and benevolence, in the hands of the finance committee. The policy of the church now is for every member of the church to support every phase of the work, in all parts of the earth every week, regularly. This advance step will result in a quickening of every phase of the church life into vital power.

The year has been important in the accession of additional buildings to the church equipment, the Sunday school annex, next to the church on the east, and the remodelled parsonage at 405 E. Vine street, the two at a cost of \$5,200, practically two-thirds of which is already paid. Notwithstanding the unusual pressure in financing these new enterprises, the regular work of the church, and its benevolences have been sustained. The year closes with all current bills paid; the largest offerings to regular mission objects in the history of the church, and a slight balance in the treasury of each department of the work.

The clerk reports an aggressive year of labor which has resulted in definite advance in many ways. Fifty have been added to the membership during the year, while sixteen have been dismissed, a net gain of 34, bringing the present membership to 547.

The treasurer reports regular current expenditures amounting to \$2,330.23, and a special expense of \$40, a total of \$2,370.23, and regular benevolences of the church to the amount of \$609.83. \$1,895.95 has been paid on the Sunday school annex, and \$1,304.85 on the parsonage. The current expenditures of various departments of work amount to \$188.76, and department benevolences to \$219.69. Special benevolent offering not passing through the treasurer's hands amount to \$48.35, bringing total benevolences to \$877.87, and total current expenses to \$2,658.99, making a grand total for all purposes of \$6,637.66.

C. L. Blocher reports having audited the treasurer's books, finding them correct, and strongly commending the treasurer for his excellent system of accounting.

The trustees call attention to the new properties acquired by the church, and express satisfaction with the condition of the various buildings, citing some minor repairs which will shortly be required.

The finance committee expresses pleasure in view of all obligations being fully met, and small balance in treasury. They recommend a budget of \$2,114.00 for the ensuing year in matters of current expenditures. The incomplete canvass necessitates a limited budget, with the canvass finished the items will be increased as necessary.

The board of deacons called attention to the fact that from the spiritual standpoint the church has made decided advancement during the past year, as noted in the prayer meetings, the regular services of the church, the Sunday school and other organizations, the securing of the Sunday school annex, parsonage, large contribution to missions, conversions and greater number of workers in all departments, efficient work of the pastor in his model conduct of prayer service and uncompromising fidelity to preaching the scriptures.

Any church that can stand up under the stress of financial burdens as was self-imposed by us during the past year and at the end present such a grand showing as will be read in your hearing, need have no fear or in any manner doubt its future blessings.

The social committee reported an average of a social evening a month, creating a stronger social fellowship. The music committee calls attention to a splendid year in the music of the church, and hope to continue to make the music a helpful feature of the worship.

The missionary committee cite the exceptional mission record of the past year, and outline effective measures which will bring the church to an increasingly aggressive evangelistic service.

The report from the Sunday school shows vital life, yet reveals large opportunity for advancement. Average attendance for year 213, with average offering of \$3.99. Current expenses have amounted to \$170, and benevolences to \$43.81, while a considerable payment was made on the S. S. annex by various classes in the school.

The Senior B. Y. P. U. has had a year of hard work, and has not realized much that was anticipated, yet good work has been done and the field opens to larger effectiveness. This union makes no effort to raise money, being educational and devotional in purpose, yet its offerings place \$12 in the benevolences.

The Junior Union has had a splendid year. With a membership of forty, under competent leadership it has accomplished much. The offerings in this union are incidental, yet amount to about \$6.

The Woman's Missionary Society report a good year. Both the program and work meetings have been regularly sustained. With a local expense of but \$18.76 this band of women has placed \$192.16 into missionary channels during the year.

The general condition of the work is excellent, and the outlook for strong, aggressive work was never brighter, or more promising. Following these reports the pastor gave a summary of the work of all departments during the year just closed.

Pastor's Report
"We are again met to learn what the Lord hath done through us. Surely the Lord is in this place" and sometimes we "knew it not." The evidences of the Master's presence are all about us.

Genuine progress has certain indications, it is seen in the heart throbs of a church, i. e., attendance on public worship; prayer meeting vigor; communion attendance; missionary activity; soul saving.

In the light of this five-fold test we can assuredly believe that distinctive advance has been made in our life this past year. I cannot refrain from expressing admiration for our people in their noble response to special financial needs. A total of \$6,637.66 actually paid into the work last year is worthy of commendation. In the unifying of our current expenses and benevolences we have done wisely, there remains but the centralizing of all finances of all departments in

the hands of a single treasurer, with financial secretaries in the various departments, and we have an almost ideal system of financing our work.

The one appeal of the pastor is that each individual of us be steadfastly faithful to the Lord Jesus Christ, to his church, and to the lost hosts of human beings going down to endless doom. Stand by the work, the absence of a single one means weakening the work. "Be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, for as much as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

Summary of the Six Years
Original membership 282, of whom 56 have been dismissed, leaving 226 original members still enrolled.

Total accessions to membership during the six years 350, of whom 29 have been dismissed, leaving 321 now enrolled. Of the accessions 191 have come by baptism; 110 by letter; 43 by experience; 6 by restoration. Present membership, 547.

During the six years the current expenses have totaled more than \$16,000 and the benevolences \$4,500, making gross expenditure of \$20,500. The church has been practically re-organized in many of its phases, and surely is in position, and possesses spirit, to enter larger fields of service and more effectively labor for the Lord and Master.

Officers Elected
The election of officers resulted as follows:
Clerk—George Sleeman.
Treasurer—C. G. Harris.
Auditor—C. L. Blocher.
Deacons—W. H. Jones, 6 years; H. Spitzer, 7 years.
Trustee—Milo Masteller.
Finance Committee—C. J. Benoy, K. J. Campbell.
Music Committee—Ralph Ransom.
Advisory Committee—Mrs. W. M. Young, Mrs. A. E. Manville, Miss Anna Barr.

Missionary Committee—C. C. Zolman, D. B. Grubb.
Baptismal Committee—Mrs. F. Vance, Mrs. J. M. Bedell, Mrs. O. Poppleton.
Social Committee—Mrs. J. B. Hamer, chairman; Mrs. H. W. Smith, W. C. Margaret Bedell, Sr. Un., Mrs. Clara Nye, Jr. Un., Chaney Burris, S. S.

BELL RESIGNS

From Board Of Elections And Succeeded By Robert B. Armstrong

At a meeting of the Democratic county committee Wednesday evening, Mr. Robert B. Armstrong of this city was unanimously agreed upon to be recommended to the secretary of state for appointment as a member of the county board of deputy state supervisors of elections to succeed Mr. Lloyd M. Bell, who resigns from the board to become a candidate for county treasurer.

PICNIC

Again To Be Given By Citizens' Association

At the regular meeting of the Citizens' association plans will probably be discussed relative to the annual picnic of the merchants of Knox county. The first picnic, under the auspices of the association, was held last August at Lake Hiawatha park and was a great success in every detail. Accordingly it will probably be the plan to continue the picnic in the future and the plans will be discussed at the coming meeting.

EXCURSIONS

Being Booked For Lake Hiawatha Park

Mr. L. C. Penn, president of Lake Hiawatha Park Association, went to Columbus Thursday afternoon on business connected with the park. Already Mr. Penn has booked a number of excursions out of Columbus for the park during the summer and expects to book a number of others within a short time. Mr. Penn is also trying to induce the members of the Columbus Automobile club to make Hiawatha park their headquarters the present summer. The club has heretofore made Buckeye Lake their headquarters, but have decided not to go to Buckeye Lake this year.

HOMESEEEKERS

Would Find Greater Advantage In The West

Than That Offered In Canada And Mexico

Washington, April 14—The exodus of our good citizens to Canada is steadily increasing, and another wave of emigration from the United States to Mexico has set in. It is estimated that not less than fifty thousand heads of families, most of them successful farmers, expatriated themselves in 1909 and took up homes under the British flag. All of them had money, probably none had less than \$1,000, so that at least \$50,000,000 of good American coin was taken from this country and invested in Canadian property. The lure of cheap land is strong and as long as the Canadian Northwest offers its virgin prairies to homeseekers at low prices, the rush of settlers is likely to continue. Land values, however, have steadily risen, and with the passing of Canadian lands selling at \$3 to \$15 per acre it is probable that the opportunities for homeseekers in our own West may prove sufficiently attractive to stem the Northwest tide.

A complaint often made by homeseekers is that there is a lack of information concerning the available public domain in the several western states. Our remaining public lands, exclusive of Alaska and our island possessions, consist of about 370,000,000 acres. Much of this is mountainous and a good deal of it is arid and worthless without irrigation. There are, however, several millions of acres of semi-arid land open to settlers in tracts of 320 acres each, located where new methods of cultivation and scientific planting have enabled the skilled and energetic farmers to overcome the deficient rainfall. These are being rapidly taken up.

The completion of successive units on a number of the large irrigation works of the government is making available choice farms in several states. To meet the demand for information concerning these lands, the Reclamation Service has issued descriptive pamphlets which are mailed upon request by the Statistician, U. S. Reclamation Service, Washington, D. C. At the present time excellent opportunities exist on a number of projects. The number and size of farms open to entry, cost of water-right, and the cash payment required are given herewith.

On the Belle Fourche project, South Dakota, there are sixty farms containing from forty to eighty acres each. The water-right charge is only \$30 per acre and the first payment required in advance is \$3.40 per acre, and the balance being payable in nine annual instalments without interest.

The Huntley project, Montana, offers to homestead entry 224 farms, averaging forty acres each of irrigable land. The cost of water-right is \$30 per acre, in addition to which \$4 per acre must be paid for the land. The initial payment is \$4.60 per acre, the balance being payable in nine equal annual instalments without interest.

The Shoshone project, Wyoming, has available 257 farms averaging forty to eighty acres each of irrigable land; water-right charge, \$46 per acre, payable one-tenth down, balance in nine equal annual instalments.

Sun River project, Montana: Eighty-five farms vacant, averaging eighty acres each of irrigable land, water-right charge \$30 per acre, maintenance and operation, 50 cents per acre; first payment \$3.50, balance in nine equal annual instalments without interest.

Umatilla project, Oregon: Seventy farms not yet taken, averaging twenty to forty acres each of irrigable land; water-right charge of \$60 per acre, maintenance and operation, \$1.30 per acre. First payment, \$19.30 per acre; balance in seven equal annual instalments without interest.

The above farms are located in settled agricultural districts. Neighbors are good, towns are near with stores, schools and churches. On several of these projects, eight farm-houses are located along each mile of the main highways, giving the country more of a suburban than a rural appearance. On all of these projects, the crops last year were satisfactory. The fruit farmer, stock man, general farmer and truck grower will find what he is looking for on one or more of these projects. No more capital is required to make a success on one of these farms than on a wheat farm in Canada, and the additional advantage of remaining in the United States is augmented also by the much more agreeable and milder climate of these irrigated valleys.

LAST WILL

Of The Rev. F. H. Huntsberger Is Filed In Probate

Gives \$500 To Board Of Missions Of M. E. Church

The Will Of Joseph Jones Also Filed In Probate

Members Of County Board Of Visitors Appointed

Other Items Of Interest From Temple Of Justice

The last will and testament of Reverend F. H. Huntsberger, deceased, has been filed for probate. The will was executed February 5th, 1907, in the presence of Emma B. Ewalt and Park B. Blair. A codicil to the will was executed July 17th, 1907, and a later codicil on October 3rd of the same year.

Testator gives to "The Board of Foreign Missions of the M. E. church," the sum of \$500.00, to be devoted to the work at present under the care of Rev. Dr. E. H. Richards, in Inhambane, East Africa.

To his wife Susie E. Huntsberger, he gives all his life insurance, absolutely, and the bulk of the remainder of his estate is given to her for life.

The residue of his estate is to be divided equally among his six children: Howard M. Huntsberger, Fred E. Huntsberger, Eugene W. Huntsberger, Charles S. Huntsberger, Ruby M. Huntsberger and Herbert D. Huntsberger. In making this division testator directs that advancements made to certain ones of his children, shall be taken into consideration, with the view that all shall share alike.

The widow, Susie E. Huntsberger,

is named as executrix, with the request that she consult and advise with Attorney Park B. Blair, as to all legal questions that may arise in the settlement of said estate.

Testator gives to his executrix full power and authority to do any and all things necessary to carry out the provisions of said will, and requests that no bond be required of her as such executrix.

The Jones Will—

The last will and testament of Joseph Jones of Jackson township has been filed in probate. By the terms of the will he gives all his estate to his wife, Lucinda Jones. At her death the testator gives his grandson, Walter Jones \$100, to his grandson, Clarence Doolittle \$25, to his granddaughter May Doolittle \$25 and to his daughter, Patsy Dunlap \$100. The residue, if any remaining, is to be divided equally among Harrison Jones, Patsy Dunlap and Rudolph Jones. The testator's son, Harrison Jones, is named as executor of the will which was signed December 31, 1909, in presence of Edward Giffin, Walter Hughes and Clay Totten.

Appointments Made—

Sarah L. Dalrymple, Democrat, and John R. Wilson, Republican, were appointed by Judge Patrick A. Berry on Thursday as members of the board of county visitors for Knox county for a period of 3 years each from May 1, 1910.

Deeds Filed—

George Beal to Elizabeth McCutcheon, 12 acres in Middlebury, \$1,585.

Robert A. Couter et al. to James F. Couter, lot 4, Struble's subdivision, Morris, \$225.

Harry B. Welborne to U. E. White, 5 acres in Morris, \$150.

Ella Louisa Curtis to U. E. White, 5 acres in Morris, \$1.

Rollin C. Curtis to U. E. White, 5 acres in Morris, \$500.

Wm. Denman to Jennie M. Denman, one-half interest in lot 78, C. & G. Cooper Co., Park add., \$600.

James H. Hunt et al. to G. C. Beggs, 6 acres in Clinton, \$6,250.

Jesse E. Harris to Wm. F. Hines, 15 acres in Morris, \$1.

Wm. F. Hines to Jesse E. Harris, 33.23 acres in Morris, \$1.



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A son was born Thursday to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Tablet who reside on the Columbus road just south of the city.



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